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Sir:

We enclose the following papers for filing in the United States Patent and Trademark Office in connection with the above patent application.

1. Application - 49 pages including cover sheet, 3 independent claims and 21 claims total.
2. Drawings - 19 sheets of informal drawings (Figures 1A-18B).

Applicant claims the right to priority based on Provisional Patent Application No. 60/150,126 filed August 20, 1999. This application is being filed by Express Mail on August 21, 2000, a Monday.

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